

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0029] with the following amended paragraph:

[0029] Numerous deposition passes of the impinging particles are normally required to build up the coating **E**. The coating **E** is characterized by lamellae **H**, also known as splats, that form when substantially molten particles impinge on the substrate surface. The coating **E** also includes non-molten particles **G**, which can also include partially molten particles. These non- and/or partially-molten particles are collectively referred to herein as non-molten particles. The coating **E** has a generally uniform composition and can also include other features such as microcracks and porosity, but should try to minimize the density of through-microcracks and through-porosity. Typical coating **E** thicknesses of 100 to 500 microns are deposited, followed by post-spray processing, such as, for example, conventional grinding and polishing to a mirror-like smoothness of 8 RMS or better. The final coating thickness is preferably 100 to 200 microns.